REQUEST **Application Number** 09/985,820 **FOR** Confirmation Number 4546 **CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)** Filing Date November 6, 2001 TRANSMITTAL First Named Inventor David VALE MAIL STOP RCE Commissioner for Patents Group Art Unit 3731 P.O. Box 1450 **Examiner Name** Melanie Ruano Tyson Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, Matter Number A9025 provides for continued examination of an utility or FILTER ELEMENT FOR EMBOLIC plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995 Title | PROTECTION DEVICE This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 a. □ Previously submitted i. □ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ii. 🗆 iii.□ b. **I** Enclosed i. □ Amendment/Reply ii. □ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. ✓ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) Petition for Extension of Time iv. 🗆 v. Other 2. MISCELLANEOUS Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of 3 Months b. Other The USPTO is directed and has been authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$810.00 for the RCE and \$130.00 for the Petition Fee, as well as all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via the EFS Fee Payment Screen. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. **CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS** Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below: WASHINGTON OFFICE 23373 CUSTOMER NUMBER SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY Name John T. Callahan Registration No. 32,607 Signature Date October 29, 2007